## Save the Day Everglades Restoration Groundbreaking

Southern Golden Gate Estates Hydrologic Restoration

Thursday, October 16, 2003 10:00 a.m.

Please mark your calendar for the groundbreaking of the first construction project in the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan to restore America's Everglades.

Thanks to Governor Jeb Bush and the Florida Legislature's strong financial support, over <u>50,000 acres</u> in the <u>Southern Golden Gate Estates</u> is now ready for its early return to the fabled "*River of Grass*."

This first major groundbreaking of the Comprehensive Everglades
Restoration Plan will restore natural water flow and begin the recovery of
critical wetland habitat in Southwest Florida.

Please join the South Florida Water Management District, Department of the Interior, Division of Forestry, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at this historic event.

This celebration will be coordinated with the South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force meeting in Naples on October 15.

The bus will leave at 8:30 a.m. from the Radisson Suite Beach Resort in Marco Island, 600 S. Collier Blvd.

Lunch will be served onsite immediately following the Groundbreaking Ceremony.